

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Assistance under NICRA

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing any assistance to farmers affected by climate change under the National Initiative for Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assistance provided to the farmers thereunder during the last three years, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) & (b): Yes. The government is providing assistance to farmers affected by climate change under the National Initiative for Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) under Technology Demonstration Component (TDC). The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has initiated a project, National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) during 2010-11 to develop adaptation and mitigation practices, for demonstration of technologies on farmers' fields and creating awareness amongst farmers and other stakeholders to minimize the climatic change impacts on agriculture. The project aims to address the issue of climate change and to provide assistance by developing and demonstrating location specific agricultural technologies.

(c) The assistance is in the form of technology demonstrations for minimizing the impacts of climate change in various states of the country. Technology demonstrations were taken up in climatically vulnerable districts of the country by taking a representative village from each district. The number of districts involved in each state in the technology demonstration are given in Annexure-I.
